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REMARKS

Claims 1-13 and 15-23 are pending in the application. Claims 1 and 12 have been amended by this response. Reconsideration and allowance of Applicant's claims are respectfully requested in light of the amendment and the following remarks.

Claims 5-13 and 15-23 are indicated as being allowed and claim 1-4 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter.

Claim 12 has been amended to make a typographical correction to delete "of." This amendment is not directed to patentability.

Claims 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for lack of proper antecedent basis for "the first slave correlation patterns." As noted by the Examiner, Applicant intended "the master and slave correlation patterns." Applicant has amended claim 1 to correct this typographical oversight as suggested in the Action. It is respectfully submitted that this change does not affect the scope of the claim and is not directed to patentability. In view of the amendment, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection.

It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-4 are in condition for allowance.

It is respectfully submitted that all claims are in condition for allowance, and early notice of the same is respectfully solicited. If any questions remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the attorney at the telephone number listed above. Please apply any charges and credits to deposit account no. 50-0967.